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	:	Group Art Unit: 1761
CPA of Application No.: 09/465,402	)	
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Filed: December 17, 1999	)	
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For: N-[N-(3,3-DIMETHYLBUTYL)-l- $\alpha$ -	)	
ASPARTYL]-L-PHENYLALANINE 1-	:	
METHYL ESTER AS A SWEETENER IN		
CHEWING GUM		


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TRANSMITTAL OF OFFICIAL ACTION RESPONSE AND PETITION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the official action dated June 3, 2003 in the above-referenced application. Application respectfully petitions for a three-month extension of time to file the attached response. Please deduct the \$950.00 extension fee, and any other necessary fees, from Deposit Account 14-1451.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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